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Kids in My Class

Vocabulary

1 Read and look. Write the names.

Julia is serious. She likes to read. She has blond hair.

Tony has short black hair. He's very friendly and funny.

Amelia has straight hair. She's shy and plays the flute.

José is friendly and smart. He has brown hair and wears glasses.



1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____

2 Look at 1 and circle T for true or F for false.

- | | | |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| 1 José wears glasses. | T | F |
| 2 Amelia has wavy hair. | T | F |
| 3 Julia has brown hair. | T | F |
| 4 Tony is friendly. | T | F |
| 5 Amelia is shy. | T | F |
| 6 Tony is serious. | T | F |
| 7 José has black hair. | T | F |
| 8 Julia likes to read. | T | F |

Song



Listen and write.



Who's That Girl?

It's the first day of school.
We're back in our classes.
Everybody looks different,
And I have new ¹_____!

Who's that girl
Standing over there?
She's taller ²_____ me.
She has ³_____ dark hair.

**In my class are the same friends I know.
But we all change. We all grow. (x2)**

It's the first day of school,
And I'm back in my chair.
Everybody looks different.
Now I have ⁴_____ hair.

Who's that girl?
Oh, wait, that's Marie!
Last time I saw her,
She was ⁵_____ than me!

Chorus



What are you like? Write.

How did I do?



5

Read. Then choose the correct answer.

She's Just Like You!



- 1 ____ is a new student.
a Amanda b Cristina
- 2 ____ and her dad are talking about the new student.
a Amanda b Cristina
- 3 ____ curly dark hair.
a Amanda has b Cristina has
c Amanda and Cristina have
- 4 ____ is nice, smart, and shy.
a Amanda b Cristina

6

Think about a classmate. Answer the questions.

- 1 What's his/her name?
- 2 What color is his/her hair?
- 3 Is he/she tall or short?
- 4 Is his/her hair long or short?



Think of a person in your family. What do they look like? What are they like?



15
7

Listen and ✓.

- 1 Ruby is
☐ **a** taller than Martin's dad.
☐ **b** shorter than Martin's dad.
- 2 Philip has
☐ **a** short hair.
☐ **b** long hair.
- 3 Philip likes
☐ **a** to read and draw.
☐ **b** to play soccer and baseball.
- 4 Martin's grandma has
☐ **a** blue hair.
☐ **b** brown hair.
- 5 Martin's grandma
☐ **a** doesn't wear glasses.
☐ **b** wears glasses.



8

Write about your family or friends.

- 1 _____ is taller than me.
- 2 _____'s hair is longer than mine.
- 3 _____'s hair is curlier than mine.
- 4 _____ is younger than me.



Who is **bigger**, Chris or Tom? Chris is **bigger than** Tom.

old	→	older
big	→	bigger
heavy	→	heavier

9 Complete the sentences.

- Maddie is taller than Henry. (tall)
- Valerie is _____ than I am. (old)
- My mom's hair is _____ than mine. (curly)
- My school is _____ than my brother's. (big)
- This book is _____ than that one. (small)
- Jon's eyes are _____ than mine. (light)

10 Look at 9. Copy the sentences. Then complete the new sentences.

- Maddie is taller than Henry.
Henry is shorter than Maddie.
- Valerie is older than I am.
I am younger than Valerie.
- _____
My hair is _____ than my mom's.
- _____
My brother's school is _____ than mine.
- _____
That book is _____ than this one.
- _____
My eyes are _____ than Jon's.



My sister's hair is longer than **my hair**.

My sister's hair is longer than **mine**.

My sister's hair is longer than **your hair**.

My sister's hair is longer than **yours**.

11 Match the meanings.

- Bob's friends are older than **our friends**.
- Our backpacks are heavier than **their backpacks**.
- Your father is smarter than **my father**.
- Jose's hair is straighter than **his sister's hair**.
- My eyes are darker than **your eyes**.

mine

yours

hers

ours

theirs

12 Complete the sentences.

hers mine ours theirs yours
 shorter smaller smarter taller younger

- Our dog** is smart, but your dog is very smart.
Your dog is smarter than ours.
- Your class has 12 students. It's small. **Their class** has 15 students.
Your class is _____ than _____.
- His cousin is four feet tall. **My cousin** is only three feet tall.
His cousin is _____ than _____.
- Juan's hair is short. **Kate's hair** is long.
Juan's hair is _____ than _____.
- Your sister** is 10. His sister is 7.
His sister is _____ than _____.



Content Connection | Life Science

13

Complete the sentences.

chance common fraternal identical triplets

- 1 A mother gives birth to Maria and Martin together. They don't look alike. They are _____ twins.
- 2 A mother gives birth to Tina, Gina, and Nina together. They are _____.
- 3 A mother gives birth to Bob and Rob together. They look the same. They are _____ twins.
- 4 Fraternal twins are more _____ than identical twins.
- 5 The _____ of having triplets is 1 in every 625 births.

14

Listen, read, and circle. Which animal can have the most babies at one time?

Some scientists say the chance of having ¹**fraternal / identical** quadruplets is only 1 in 13 million. Not if you're a nine-banded armadillo! These armadillo moms give birth to up to 56 pups in their lifetime. And every time they give birth, they have FOUR identical babies at a time. That means that an average armadillo has a record-breaking fourteen sets of ²**triplets / quadruplets**. That's impossible for humans and very ³**rare / common** in the animal kingdom.

⁴**Multiple / Single** births are very common in the animal kingdom. Often, this is because not all the babies survive. Cats usually give birth to 3–5 kittens, and some dogs have 5–10 puppies. These little brothers and sisters look alike, just like brothers and sisters in human multiple births, but they are very rarely identical.

Other animals rarely or never have multiple births. Usually, ⁵**smaller / bigger** animals have more babies and larger animals have fewer. Elephants have only one baby at a time. Whales almost always have only one baby at a time. These animals have a very different relationship with their offspring.

However, pigs are different. They are larger than other farm animals, but they have a lot of babies. Sometimes they have 20 piglets at a time!



nine-banded
armadillo



15 Look at 14 and choose the correct answer.

- 1 Nine-banded armadillos always have
 - a identical quadruplets.
 - b fraternal quadruplets.
- 2 How many times does a nine-banded armadillo give birth in a lifetime?
 - a up to 14
 - b up to 56
- 3 Which animal never has triplets?
 - a an elephant
 - b a cat
- 4 Which animals usually have more babies?
 - a small animals
 - b big animals
- 5 Which animal almost always has only one baby at a time?
 - a a dog
 - b a whale
- 6 Pigs are unusual because
 - a they don't have multiple births.
 - b they're large and they have many babies at once.

16 Complete the sentences.

alike birth fingerprints rare relationship survive

- 1 You and your brother don't look _____. He's much darker than you.
- 2 Red hair is very _____ now – not many people have it.
- 3 Identical twins are not completely identical. They have different _____.
- 4 Pigs sometimes give _____ to 20 piglets.
- 5 Small animals have multiple births because they want some of them to _____.
- 6 The _____ between twins begins before they're born.

17 Read the text in the Student's Book and complete the sentences.

chonmage beards powdered wigs braids dyed wigs

- 1 Women in ancient Egypt wore _____.
- 2 Men in ancient Egypt sometimes wore fake _____.
- 3 Judges in the U.K. wear _____.
- 4 Some men and women in Africa have _____.
- 5 Sumo wrestlers in Japan have a special hairstyle called _____.

18 Look at 17. Number the pictures.



19 Look at 18 and write T for true and F for false.

- 1 The African woman's hair is longer than the judge's wig.
- 2 The ancient Egyptian woman's wig is brighter than the judge's wig.
- 3 The sumo wrestler's hair is darker than the ancient Egyptian woman's wig.
- 4 The judge's wig is straighter than the sumo wrestler's hair.

20 Look at 18 and 19. Compare your hair with one of the pictures. Write sentences with **than mine.**

short long light dark straight curly wavy

- 1 The African woman's hair is shorter than mine.
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

21 Read and number the parts of the paragraph.

My Best Friend ← 1

My best friend's name is James. ← 2

He's shorter than I am, and his hair is darker than mine. James is shy, and he's funny, too. We like playing soccer on the weekend. ← 3

I'm happy to have a friend like James. ← 4

a detail sentences <input type="checkbox"/>	b final sentence <input type="checkbox"/>
c title <input type="checkbox"/>	d topic sentence <input type="checkbox"/>

22 Read the paragraph. Circle the detail sentences. Copy the topic and final sentences.

Mr. Smith is my favorite teacher. He's the music teacher at my school. He can sing! He also plays the piano and the guitar. He's also very smart, and he's funny, too. I'm happy to have a teacher like Mr. Smith.



Topic sentence: _____

Final sentence: _____

23 Look at 22. Write about a favorite teacher.

Topic sentence: _____

Detail 1: _____

Detail 2: _____

Detail 3: _____

Final sentence: _____

24 Read and circle **ear** and **air**.

year fair skirt
chair curly pair hear
hair taller fear more

25 Underline the words with **ear** and **air**. Then read aloud.

- 1 She has small ears and curly fair hair.
- 2 I hear a pair of twins near the stairs.

26 Connect the letters. Then write.

- | | | |
|------|-----|---------|
| 1 y | air | a _____ |
| 2 ch | ear | b _____ |

27 Listen and write.

A boy with big ¹ _____
And ² _____ hair
Hears the twins on the
³ _____
A boy with big ears and fair
⁴ _____
⁵ _____ the twins sit on
their chairs.



28 Read and match.

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Twins are the | a common than quadruplets. |
| 2 Identical twins look | b most common. |
| 3 Triplets are more | c the same. |

29 Look and complete the sentences.



glasses serious
shorter straight
taller wavy

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 Mom's hair is _____. | 2 Dad's hair is _____. |
| 3 Mia is _____ than Tim. | 4 Tim is _____ than Mia. |
| 5 Grandma wears _____. | 6 Mia likes to read. She is _____. |

30 Complete the sentences.



My hair is longer than yours.



His hair is shorter than mine.

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1 My hair is longer than yours.
Your hair is shorter
_____. | 2 Your brother is taller than mine.
My brother is shorter
_____. |
| 3 His hair is curlier than hers.
Her hair is straighter
_____. | 4 Her legs are shorter than his.
His legs are longer
_____. |
| 5 Our car is cheaper than theirs.
Their car is more expensive
_____. | 6 Their house is smaller than ours.
Our house is bigger
_____. |



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